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FM AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

TO AMEMBASSY BUJUMBURA NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY KINSHASA NIACT IMMEDIATE

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C O N F I D E N T I A L DAR ES SALAAM 1812

C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (TEXT)

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SUBJECT: KIDNAPPED AMERICANS: VISAS

REF: DAR ES SALAAM 1809

1. ZAIRIAN EMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM WAS UNABLE ISSUE PETER STEINER A VISA IN ABSENCE OF AMBASSADOR (SINCE STEINER NOT A DIPLOMAT). FIRST SECRETARY LEMBA HAS GIVEN STEINER LETTER TO TRANSMIT TO ZAIRIAN AMBASSADOR MWENDA IN KIGOMA, AND BELIEVES AMBASSADOR WILL ISSUE VISA IN KIGOMA. HOWEVER, IN CASE THIS FALLS THROUGH, REQUEST EMBASSY KINSHASA REQUEST ZAIRE FOREIGN MINISTRY URGENTLY TO TRANSMIT TO ZAIRIAN EMBASSY BUJUMBURA AUTHORIZATION ISSUE STEINER A VISA. DATA AS FOLLOWS: BORN JULY 9, 1922, NEW YORK, USA. PASSPORT NUMBER E 482703, ISSUED WASHINGTON MARCH 11, 1974.

2. BURUNDI EMBASSY HAS ISSUED STEINER THREE-WEEK SINGLE ENTRY VISA, BUT ASSURES US THAT BURUNDI AUTHORITIES WILL BE INFORMED OF STEINER'S COMING AND HE SHOULD HAVE NO TROUBLE RETURNING TO BURUNDI IF HE VISITS ZAIRE. DESPITE THIS ASSURANCE, HOWEVER, WE SUGGEST EMBASSY BUJUMBURA ALERT BURUNDI FOREIGN MINISTRY
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AND SEEK ARRANGE HAVE MULTI-ENTRY VISA ENTERED IN STEINER'S

PASSPORT WHEN HE ARRIVES BUJUMBURA.

3. FYI - IN REQUESTING VISAS WE TOLD ZAIRIAN AND BURUNDI
EMBASSIES ONLY THAT STEINER IS REPRESENTATIVE OF PARENTS
OF KIDANPPED STUDENTS, THAT HE TRAVELLING TO BUJUMBURA IMMEDIATELY AND

MAY HAVE OCCASION TO MAKE SEVERAL ENTRIES INTO BOTH BURUNDI AND ZAIRE.

NEITHER MISSION REQUESTED ANY FURTHER DETAILS, AND OFFICERS IN BOTH
REITERATED THEIR DEEP CONCERN FOR WELFARE OF KIDNAPPED STUDENTS.
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